La Follette School of Public Affairs: Program and Curricular Information

Steve Kulig, Associate Director
La Follette School Orientation
August 29, 2019
La Follette School Leadership & Staff

• Susan Yackee
  – Director

• Steve Kulig
  – Associate Director
Student Services

– Mo O’Connor
  • Admissions & Advising Coordinator

– David Wright-Racette
  • Student Services Associate

– Career Services Coordinator (vacant)
  • Will start September 2019
Human Resources and Payroll

- Bonnie Lane
  - Payroll & Benefits Specialist

- Cindy Manthe
  - Senior Financial Specialist

- Marjorie Matthews
  - University Services Associate
Administration and Communications

- Administrator (vacant)
  • Will start September 2019

- Lisa Hildebrand
  • Senior University Relations Specialist

- Andrew Lambert
  • Senior Information Technology Specialist
Outreach

- Heidi Normandin
  - Senior Outreach Specialist

- Bridget Pirsch
  - Senior Outreach Specialist

- Bonnie MacRitchie
  - Outreach Specialist
La Follette School Mission & Goals

- Research
- Outreach
- Teaching & Learning

The Wisconsin Idea

- “The boundaries of the University are the boundaries of the State” (and not just the state anymore...)

Fighting Bob La Follette
Wisconsin Idea in Action

- Service-learning with real world client projects
- Legislator and policymaker outreach
- Campus and community partnerships
- Outreach events
Upcoming Changes and Involvement Opportunities

• Kohl Initiative
  – $10 million to support outreach, teaching and research

• Staff and faculty recruitment
  – See “This Week at La Follette” email for more details
Degree Programs

• Both MPA and MIPA are 42-credit degree programs designed to provide you with the best of both worlds:
  – Core courses
  – Flexible electives
  – Client projects
Dual and Double Degree Offerings

- Dual-degrees and Double-degrees
  - Juris Doctorate
  - Master of Public Health
  - Ph.D. in Neuroscience
  - Master in Urban and Regional Planning
Certificates

• Energy Analysis and Policy through the Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies

• Wisconsin School of Business Certificates
  – Strategic Innovation
  – Entrepreneurship
  – Business, Environment & Social Responsibility

See handout in your folder for more options. If you have questions about degree or certificate offerings, see Mo.
La Follette Fall Core Courses

- MPA
  - PA 800, PA 818, PA 874, PA 880
- MIPA
  - PA 800, PA 818, PA 880
Advising

• Academic advising
  – Mo O’Connor

• Career and professional development advising
  – New Career Services Coordinator

• Big picture and programmatic questions
  – Steve Kulig

• Faculty advising
  – Faculty advisors assigned middle of fall semester
Professional Development

• PA 800: Professional Development Workshop
• PA 827: Internships for credit
• Professional Development Events
• La Follette in Chicago
• SuccessWorks
• UW Job Center
• Career and Professional Development online resources
96% of 2018 graduates secured employment in their field within 6 months of graduation
82% of 2019 graduates secured employment in their field within 3 months of graduation
Outreach Events for Students

• La Follette School Seminar Series
• Madison Reception for Alumni and Friends
• Spring symposium and outreach events
• Journalist in Residence
• [La Follette calendar](#) for all upcoming events
Workspace

- La Follette lounge (LFS house basement)
- La Follette Graduate Student Office (7413 Sewell Social Sciences Building)
- Graduate Student Lounge at Memorial Library
- La Follette Conference room (LFS 1st floor)
  - Students can reserve for meetings (see Marjorie)
Computer and Software Resources

• UW-Madison Information Technology
  – Campus wide technical support
  – Software training for students
• Social Sciences Computing Cooperative (SSCC)
  – Software training in STATA, Excel, R, Python etc
• LinkedIn Learning (formerly LYNDIA)
  – Online software training
Support for Diversity & Inclusion

• [La Follette School Diversity and Inclusion](#) webpage

• Goals
  – Create diverse, inclusive, and excellent learning and work environments for all students, faculty, staff, alumni, and others who partner with the La Follette School of Public Affairs; and,
  – Seek and value all differences and develop the systems and work practices that support members of every group to succeed and fully contribute.
Campus Involvement & Engagement

- La Follette School Student Association (LSSA)
- Wisconsin Involvement Network (WIN)
  - Close to 900 student orgs
- Wisconsin Union Directorate (WUD)
  - Wisconsin Hoofers
  - Art & Music Events
- Recreation and Wellbeing (R&W)
  - Intramural sports
  - Personal and group fitness
- Morgridge Center for Public Service
- Associated Students of Madison (ASM)
  - Shared governance of the university
- Center for Leadership and Involvement (CfLI)
  - Fall 2019 student org fair Sept 11th and 12th
Welcome to the La Follette School.
You belong here!

• Small program, supportive, family feel
• World-class, tier-1 research university
• State capital city

See you at Hill Fest, Tuesday, Sept. 3, 5-7pm!